

S. Elizabeth Birnbaum
Vice President for Government Affairs
General Counsel
American Rivers

Ms. Birnbaum is Vice President for Government Affairs and General Counsel at American Rivers, having previously served as Director of Government Affairs. Before coming to American Rivers in 2001, she worked for two years in the Solicitor's Office of the Department of the Interior, serving as Associate Solicitor for Mineral Resources and as Special Assistant to the Solicitor. Prior to her work at DOI, Ms. Birnbaum spent several years on the Democratic staff of the House Committee on Resources (also called the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs), working for Chairman and Senior Democratic Member George Miller. Previously, Ms. Birnbaum began her work on river issues and natural resources law at the National Wildlife Federation as counsel to that organization's water resources program. She holds a law degree from Harvard Law School and an undergraduate degree in linguistics from Brown University.